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CIRCUMSTANTIAL BUT IMPROBABLE. How much dependence is to be placed upon the reported plan for the organization of a great international bank under the auspices of Pope Leo is, at least, a debatable question. While a New York paper undertakes to give names of directors and details as to location, capital and manner of operation, with much semblance of particularity, the general tendency will be to await confirmation before accepting the report.

It is improbable the banking business can be conducted to advantage in connection with religious organisations. Experiments which have been made by church organiza tions in the United States in the conduct of financial enterprises on a great scale are not particularly encouraging. The experience of the publishing concerns of some of the Evangelical churches, and of Archbishop Purcell, at Cincinnati, were not hopeful in that regard. In this country, at least, ecclesiastical banking would scarcely be regarded as of great help either to any of the denominations or to the general business in terests.

In this view it sounds rather absurd to hear it stated that grave fears are expressed by some of the leading New York financiers about the "vast political as well as financial influence" which would attach to the new enterprise. Neither politics nor business in the United States tends toward a denomiof the circumstantiality of the account published by the New York Herald yesterday, it will be found that the plans of the re-

SMOKING FOR CLERGYMEN.

The discussion of the question, "Should Clergymen Smoke?" in another part of this subject which are more or less valuable as would be for clergymen to do so; if the power and prosperity of his church. former find it salutary or innocuous the clergymen have the same right to partake of a harmless enjoyment as other men; just as they have the same right to drink Java in the letters from Stanley, which have tion may be of importance just as it may be valuable to determine whether bankers should indulee in chicken salad or criminal lawyers eat mince pie. But the decision must apply to all humanity and not to any especial class or profession.

SILCOTT'S OBJECT LESSON. departure for the sole purpose of giving the statesmen with whom he enjoyed such confidential terms, an object lesson on the nedelicately skating along the edge of the ex- him, worked out the successful results which traditable offenses, and paying back the money which he had obtained through forgeries," which might have brought him character and temper of Stanley in his back, the departed Silcott is able to live in earlier career were not especially marked Canada comfortably on the salaries of the for devoutness. Self-reliant, determined, statesmen, and the fleeced Congressmen are | wary and courageous, he has heretofore left to profound reflections on the inade- seemed to hold the principle that Providence

quacy of extradition. the most thorough insight into an injury, to faith is not likely; but he has never before have his own ox gored; and the Congress- shown the religious spirit so prominently, men whose cash accounts are depleted with- It would almost seem that as Stanley inout any way of getting at the robber, will herited and enlarged Dr. Livingstone's be deeply impressed with the wrongs of pub- mission of opening up the dark places of lie plunder. It is true that several thrifty Africa, so he has succeeded to the missionlegislators have already developed a theory ary explorer's earnest and constant faith. that the United States must make up the Possibly, the spirit may have its origin in loss. They may log-roll the measure through his intercourse with Livingstone on his first Congress, but nevertheless the discomforts of expedition, when the patient inspiration of making the United States tressury pay their the older man was steadily leading him to salaries twice over, on account of a loss of his lonely death in the effort to solve the which their own agent was the cause, mystery of the Lualaba. should make them eager for improved extradition laws, and create some fellowfeeling on their part with the people who supply the funds in the treasury.

Taking it all in all, a certain admiration at the originality of Silcott's stroke is irre- of both explorers. May there not be somepressible. Raids on the treasury have be- thing in the struggle with the forces of come commonplace in the House he served, and were by no means horrifying to some of the pursuit of heroic efforts remote from the the members thereof. But Silcott struck centers of civilization and the competition out a new line by raiding the private treasury of the Congressmen, and let in a flood of new light as to the possibilities of grabbing any funds that can be got at.

A CORPORATE BARTED

A very striking example of corporate morals is exposed to public view in the history of a case just decided by the Wisconsin Supreme Court. One company made an agreement with another that if the latter would secure from the Legislature a valuable land grant, the first would give in return valuable trackage rights. The legislative lobbying was done successfully, and railroad No. 1 got its land grant; but when called upon to perform its half of the bargain refused to do it. The suit to make it do so was thrown out by the courts on the ground that it was void as against public policy and tending to corruption. The legal and moral aspect of the decision is in-

courts might have something to say to the parties to such a bargain. In the meantime the corporations who dispose of legislative acts as a matter of barter, should have discretion enough to at least keep their contracts a secret.

FRANCE'S SCHEME OF TAXATION. It appears from one of our cable specials that the French Government proposes to adopt the measure agitated in this country last year, of imposing a capitation tax on all foreigners in France, and a further tax on all employers of foreign-born labor. The amount of inxation is not very great, being \$4 80 on the foreigners who do not work, and \$10 in addition on each laborer of other nationalities.

The measure may be a good one for a nation which desires to keep out foreigners. With regard to those who simply go to France to sojourn there, the impression has been that France desired their presence, and that they were already sufficiently taxed by the tradesmen, art dealers and hotel keepers. The tax on the laborers, on the other hand, will be heavy enough to exclude a great many such laborers or to force them into pauperism. But as labor is the creator of wealth, it does not seem a logical deduction either to shut it out or to force it into invol-

untary idleness at the expense of the public. Measures of this sort are better adapted to the Chinese or Corean objects of Government than to those which are supposed to be circumstances be responsible for the care of unaimed at by civilized Republics like France and the United States.

THE LUXURY OF DECADENCE.

Mrs. Frank Leslie's discussion of the growth of bachelor, or "Benedict," chambers in which the unmarried man is made comfortable for life without any thought of marriage, unfolds a very plausible and probably correct theory, as to the effect of wealth and luxury, in making social life selfish and consequently predisposing young men who wish to enjoy life untrammeled by family cares, against marriage.

But it involves more than the question of matrimony when it is represented by a writer on social subjects, that it is the destiny, as a nation gains in wealth, that makes "capital become concentrated, rich men wealthier, poor men poorer, and labor less honorable." This has been the result in most cases because of the existence of special privileges for certain classes; but to assert that it is inevitable, is to abandon the fundamental principles of our Government. The American Republic is founded on the belief that by giving all men equal chances the gain in wealth will be widely distributed; and while the old result is repeated in many cases, it is, in every case of egregious wealth. directly traceable to the fact that the principle of equality of opportunity and impartial treatment before the law, has been vio-Inted.

The story is not all told until it is pointed out that the stage of wealth and luxury, which produces the effects that Mrs. Leelie deplores, is only reached by the pullification of our democratic principles and generally by the violation of the laws.

BISHOP TUIGG'S DEATH.

The death of Bishop Tuigg at the episcopal residence vesterday removes the head national basis. And like as not, regardless of the Catholic Church in this diocese, who has had control of that powerful religious organization since the retirement of Bishop Domenec many years ago. The executive ported new bank are more imaginary than | head of a large and centralized organization like the Catholic Church exerts a powerful influence in the community, and probably few men have exercised a greater effect on Pittsburg's population, with so little prominence before the general public, as the late issue, gives a variety of views on the prelate. His administration of the diocese revealed a character in which a str personal opinions. The logical way of energetic temperament and decided convicetermining the matter would be by first tions were leading features. Perhaps as settling the prior question, "Should any just a measure of his work as can be found man smoke?" and then governing the may be taken from the growth of the hosclergymen by the decision as to all mankind. If it be injurious and wrong for the Catholic denomination in this discess, bankers and lawyers to smoke, then, it and in the enhancement of the numerical

STANLEY'S RELIEF IN PROVIDENCE. One remarkable characteristic appears

coffee or eat Saratoga potatoes. The quesfrom the African wilds through which he conducted his great researches. That is his frank and unreserved avowal of his belief in the aid of an overruling and divine Providence which rescued himself and his allies from the greatest dangers and enabled his expedition to win success through a series of dangers that at various times If the vanished Silcott had planned his threatened to overwhelm it with total failure. Hardly any more complete or devout attribution of the credit for his achievements to a Higher Power could be made, than the cessity of an amended extradition law, he letter in which the successful explorer could not have done it more completely. By shows how the very disasters which delayed

were finally achieved. This is the more remarkable because the helps those who help themselves. That he It is an old principle that it gives a man has abandoned the belief in works as well as

> Yet in view of the fact that Stanley's companionship with Livingstone lasted but a few months, and occurred many years ago, may not this devout belief be ascribed to the influence which surrounded the efforts nature, the observation of savage life, and of "enlightened selfishness" which teaches the ardent mind that Providence is over all. and that human weakness is strongest in its

reliance on a Supreme Being? There is certainly a strong commentary on the efforts of philosophers who sit in easy chairs and elaborate agnostic theories. that men of such heroic achievements as Stanley and Livingstone are by the very record of their struggles brought to a clear belief in the existence of Divine Providence.

THE sad news comes from New York that the haby hippopotamus recently added to the population of that city had died because its lungs could not stand the climate. Chicago ous impropriety of asking the world to com and enjoy an international exposition in a climate that is too moist for a young river hog.

disputable; but it seems as if the criminal havior of some of the members of Congress tion

during the reading of the President's message "The disposition to treat the reading of the message as a joke is one of the depressing signs of the times," In that case the most obvious remedy is to avoid methods of presenting the message, which make it a joke. It may be disrespectful to say that the josious guarding of a collection of platitudes as if it contained. of a collection of platitudes, as if it contained the secret of the ages, and its presentation to Congress to be read orally when it could twice as the secret of the agea, and its presentation to congress to be read orally when it could twice as soon veniently be understood if published to the world on the morning of the meeting, is one of and Qualita, in her character of an ostrich the jokes of the day; but there is ne more fact than imagination in the assertion. Solemn humbug is looked upon in the most charitable way when taken as a joke.

THE statement, on apparently good authority, that the Williamsport Flood Commis-sioners are going to allow themselves five dollars a day out of the relief fund, indie lars a day out of the relief fund, indicates that those officials think that the relief fund belongs to the sufferers, and that they are the sufferers.

IT is after all, a little uncomplimentar to our system of justice that the one murderer found guilty of murder in the first degree by an Alleghesy county jury these many years should be a friendless negro.

THE statement during the week that som purchases were made of claims against the Lawrence Bank at the rate of 50 cents on the dollar seems to furnish an additional reason for expediting at least a proximate official statement of the assets and liabilities. If the de-positors sell their claims at less than the bank will pan out, they will have made a losing transaction through their uncertainty of the condition of things. On the other hand, if those who buy pay more than can be realized the number of losers will be increased. Thus it is that speculation in the claims will scarcely bring any additional satisfaction into the situa-tion; and that an official indication of the probable salvage becomes doubly desirable.

WITH one 250-barrel well, a 300-barrel rell, a 500-barrel well and a 2,400-barrel well reported from the different districts in the lower oil field it does not look as if the yield of Pennsylvania off were by any means a thing of the

THE Chinese mob which has been de troying American property at Nankeen seems to be strongly of opinion that what is sauce for the Mongolian goose is sauce for the Amer gander.

A CORRESPONDENT elsewhere pursues the discussion as to the respective cost of living at Philadelphia and in this city, with conclusions to the advantage of Philadelphia. The fact of the matter seems to be that the work-ingmen can get an equally good house and equalty good living at a slightly less cost in Philadelphia, perhaps, for the very cogent reason that he has considerably less wages to pay for it withal. But Pittsburg is rapidly in-creasing her supply of small homes for the working people, and her transit facilities for

THE railroad company which proposes to urnish each purchaser of a ticket with an acgibe of the scoffers that it has a very clear idea of the most obvious need of travelers over its

THE certainty that the postal detectives express of catching that mail pouch thief warrants a fear that the thief has already reach the mysterious hiding place of Tarcott.

CONCERNING the fact that Justice Field and Justice Brewer, who will sit on the Supreme Bench together are nephew and uncle, the Bo ton Herold remarks: "Law seems to run in the family." Perhaps so; but it is also possible to ntimate that another trait which has run in that family is that of cultivating close relations with the great corporate interests that take care to give attention to the compe

THE controversy between Governor For aker and the un-gubernatorial Campbell grows somewhat unprofitable. Both parties should receive private advice upon the golden qua ot silence, especially in cases like theirs.

THE announcement that Alger is mad anything which preceded it.

AGAIN our esteemed cotemporaries in rival cities are indulging in chastened joy over the report that Pittsburg's natural gas supply foolishness in the papers that are circulating this old fable, Pittsburg need not object to it. It amuses them, and does no harm to the thousands of Pittsburg people who continue to enjoy the cleanliness and convenience of gas

IF Uncle Jerry Rusk will contract to reform the brand of weather we have had during bureau in his department and preserve the

JURY fixers and spies are both rather unpleasant elements of the present day. But here is the radical distinction between that the purpose of one class is to reduce the system of justice to a farce and give law breakers impunity; while no one can be harmed by the other who respects and obeys the laws.

ELECTRIC wires hindered the work of the firemen in Boston, Minneapolis and at the Monongahela House fire. And, still, the overhead wire does not go,

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

THERE are only 29 free traders in the French Parliament, the remainder of the deputies standing up stoutly for the protective home in-dustry creed of the Thiers school.

THE Crar of Russia has uttered an edic forbidding applause in the theaters of St. Petersburg. It interferes with his alumbers during an after-dinner performance and is apt confuse the dancing of the ballet.

PREMIER CRISPI is 70, and his King, Hum-bert, is 45; Bismarck is 75, and his Emperor, William, is 30. Dutch King Wilhelm is the oldest, and the Spanish baby, Alfonso, the youngest of Europe's crowned heads, and both are in the hands of guardians. LORD TENNYSON has taken of late to the

perusal of light literature. Haggard, Steven-son, Beliamy and other cotemporary writers have been honored recently by the laureate's attention. Heretofore Tenayson has not paid much attention to modern proce fiction. MEISSONIER since his recent marriage has seemed to lose his ambition. He spends very few hours a day in his studio and does a great deal of aimless sketching and daubing. His friends regret his change of habits, but Mois-

sonier always does as he pleases and there's an end on't. CORPORAL TANNER seems to be happy i Washington. He is popular with a certain crowd of Republican politicians, and the anti-Harrison end of the party considers Tanner a prominent man. He poses as a martyr whose picturesque position outside the breastworks is worthy of public attention.

M. Zola describes his mode of working thus:
"I am as regular as clockwork. Every morning I write four pages of manuscript, no more, no less. That makes about 800 words, and is all I can do in a day and do it well. As I take a year for each one of my novels, you see I have plenty of time at that rate. Of course a large part of my work has been done before I take up the pen and what I write the first time goes to the printers with few eras-ures. No, I never dictate, but write every line of my books with my ewn hand, like this,

WANAMAKER'S BIBLE CLASS. He Acts To-Day as Tencher in the Garley

Chapel School. WASHINGTON, December 7.—Postmaster eneral Wasamaker will to-morrow teach the Bible class in Gurley Chapel, in this city. This chapel is a vigorous offshoot of the Church of the Covenant, where President Harrison worships. It has a large Sunday school with 300 or 400 scholars. THE TOPICAL TALKER.

Slip of the Fact is a Dangerous Thing to a Dancer-The True History of How Ode Thanksgiving Dinner Fell in the

CHUBBY and graceful Fraulein Clara Quality the kindred subjects of immigration and nat-uralization. It was due to his efforts, mainly, that the last Congress appointed a committee to investigate the question of immigration, which succeeded in breaking up at least a part of the padrone system, and brought at least one of the principals to purchased. and Qualitz, in her character of an ostrich-was ever there a sprinter of the desert so plump?-appeared to take part in the grand hallet divertissement. She started out to swing around the stage, inclining toward its center; and, as she reached the top of the stage, she lost her balance and fell. Apparently she sus-tained no hurt, and she finished her pas soul one of the principals to punishment.

Mr. Oates is now preparing a bill to combine the provisions contained in two bills introduced by him in the last Congress. He has come to the conclusion that a law whose tendency would be to restrict promisenous imwith her remarkable smile undiminished. It is curious how Qualitz always can command that smile, which shows her regular teeth so well migration must also make some provision for the proper naturalization of such immigrants as are invited to come to these shores. He proposes to prevent the coming into this country of any person previously convicted of crime, and of polygamists and paupers.

Immigrants, before they will be allowed to land in the United States, must produce a certificate of good character from the American Consul located nearest to their homes in their native country. Then he proposes to do away with that part of the present naturalization laws which permits of a foreigner "declaring his intentions," and thus obtaining the full benefits of citizenship without being compelled to take out his final papera.

An immigrant, under Mr. Oates' bill, will be required to have resided five full years in this country before he can be admitted to citizenship. He must go before a Judge, satisfy that functionary that he can speak and read the English language, and then submit proof of his being a competent person, under the immigration laws, to apply for citizenship. A repremigration must also make some provision for and makes her hardest work seem child's play

to her audience.
Once they say Qualitz bumped into a coryonce they say Quantiz sumped line a cory-phea, and their two heads came together with a prodigious crack. Qualitz amiled sweetly and murmured an apology, but the ballet girl cried, as well she might, for the blow was a hard one. Qualitz was asked why she did not cry, and she said: "I cry? Before the audience? No, no, I

BUT I de not refer to the mishap of a premiere danseuse to get a chance to enlarge upon her smile. What I wanted to ask my readers—or such of them as confess to seeing a ballet now and again—is, whether they ever realize what a dangerous thing it is to execute a pas seul upon a crowded stage?

That very movement in which Francein Quality stumbled yesterday is one of the most difficult and dangerous a premiere executes. Whirling around a stage at a headlong gait, the inster the better, the louder the applause, the dancer runs the risk of colliding with other people, the wings and the prosonium arch. Some ten years ago I saw a dancer, unable to stop her-self at the right moment, fall upon the footlights, and she was carried from the stage a mass of flames. A bit of wood, a chance nail, a morsel of tin or tinsel from the trappings o the ballet, any one of these may trip the premiere as she pirouettes on her toe points, with her eyes toward the gods and her mind thinking of naught but the cadence of the

Two or three days ago in a Missouri lumber camp one man chopped another to pieces with an ax for impugning his ability as a cook. He was the cook of the camp, and he could not allow sneers at his culinary capabilities to pass

A tragedy somewhat like the above, only a little more humorous and a trifle less ghastly, occurred in a Pittsburg household a few days ago. The day before Thanksgiving the late modest little affair, as dinners are apt to be on the eve of a festival. But its modesty shrunk out of sight behind the atroclous tooking of the meal. The soup was smoked and very greasy—O think of that, soup's new-found proph-utess, Miss Marion Harland!—the beefsteak was mysteriously blistered in some places, and into the fire several times and as often rescued the vegetables were awimming for their lives in tepid water, and everything that came to the table showed signs of having passed through a terrible ordeal in the kitchen.
You know a family will make remarks about

meal that is served in this fashion. Some of the younger members of the circle were ex-tremely sarcastic. The girl who waited at the table reported these aliusions to the cook as soon as possible; and there was a sound of loud talking below stairs all the evening. But nobody thought anything of that; it had oc-curred before. There was no other warning of the impending disaster given to the devoted

As materfamilias descended the stairs the next morning, and made her way to the dining room-in how many families the mother is th goodly example in early risingl-a savory, and yet somewhat peculiar odor sainted her nos-trils. So, instead of entering the dining room, she passed on downstairs to the kitchen. The only occupant of the kitchen was the housemaid, whose appearance was enough to scare anybody out of a year's healthy growth. "Jane!" said the lady of the house sternly, "Jane! what is the matter? Where's Mary?"

took her trunk!" and that the fumes she had smelt upstairs were

rising from it.
"What's cooking there?" she asked. "I dunno," replied Jane; "Mary have gone with her trunk!"

luctantly helped her mistress probethe mystery in the wash-boiler. I'm afraid she knew pretty well what would be discovered. Well, it wasn't the youngest member of the family—a small but energetic 3-year-old to whom his mother's boding more than once during that awful

They took out a 14-pound turkey, a large roast beef, half a sack of potatoes, some salt codfish, and a pair of chickens. These were the large items; but that boiler was found to contain in a half-stewed state virtually the whole of a well-stocked larder. Who had made such a tramandons stew? Mary, the cook. A bottle of whisky and the remarks at the dinner table the night before, had nerved her to this ex-quisite stroke of revenge. She had put the Thanksgiving dinner of her oppressors, as she called them, in the soup!

HEPBURN JOHNS,

DAVIS AS A HORSEMAN.

Compliments From Virginians Who Knew Him Intimately.

RICHMOND, December 7.—Jefferson Davis was known personally to a larger number of people in Richmond than in perhaps any other city. Citizens who were children during the war recall his regular evening ride on a gray horse, which he sat spiendidly. Dr. Charles Brock, a prominent physician and a fine horseman, re-calls an incident of this time. He says that one calls an incident of this time. He says that one evening he was riding a mare that was so vicious that he could do nothing with her. While the animal was bucking on a turnnike near this city, Mr. Davis rode up and said:

"That is a fine animal, Doctor."

The Doctor replied that he would like to see Mr. Davis ride het. The latter said that he would like to take a spin, and they changed horses.

would like to take a spin, and they changed horses.

"He had no sooner taken the reins," said the Doctor, "than with one easy pull he had her entirely under subjection. Then he put spura and rode her three miles, and I tell you she was subdued enough when he returned her to me. It was the finest riding I ever saw."

Governor Fitzhugh Lee, himself a noted horseman, says Mr. Davis was the finest horseman, he ever saw. On one of his lonely rides lir. Davis was fired upon by a man hid in the bushes, the ball whatling close to his head. He rode his horse straight in the direction from which the missile came, and the would-be assassin fied, but was caught by some soldiers. He proved to be a foreigner who was grazy, and was not prosecuted.

SOLD FOR A MERE SONG

Beecher's Fine \$200,000 Country Place Only Brings \$75,000. PERCHAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR. What though the radiant thoroughfare NEW YORK, December 7,-Henry Ward

Beecher's country seat, "Boscobel," on the Hudson, just south of the Highlands, has been sold by Phillips & Wells to Thomas M. Stewart, of this city, for \$75,000. Boscobel is a fine estate, upon which Mr. Beecher at one time or another spent about Beecher at one time or another spent about \$200,000. He bought the place more than 20 years ago, and during the remainder of his life he spent more than half of each year upon it. In 1876 he built a fine brick-and-stone country house upon the estate at a cost of \$70,000.

Surrounding the house is a park containing 6,000 ernamental trees and shruba, embracing 250 varieties, and more than 2,000 fruit trees and vines. These were set out in groups, all being classified and labeled. For this collection Mr. Beecher was indebted mainly to his missionary friends. Knowing the delight he took in beautifying Boscobel, whenever they came upon an especially rare, beautiful or interesting tree or shrub, they sent it to him. China, India, Ceylon, the Pacific Islands, Africa Europe, and in fact, all quarters of the globe are represented in this park, which would have cost anybody else a fortune.

Jay Gould's Eloquence. From the Philadelphia Inquirer.]
When Jay Gould talks to a raporter every-body reads what he has to say, and then won-ders what he means by it. RESTRICTING IMMIGRATION. CRIME AT THE CAPITAL.

Features of Scuntor Ontes' Proposed Mens-Heatt's Misdeed Not Without Preceden ure Relating to the Subject. Unbenithy Influences to Washington Life [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT, 1 - Stories of Clever Thefts - Caroline WASHINGTON, December 7.—Congressman Dates, of Alabama, has during the last few years been paying a good deal of attention to Becker's Cate Capera,

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH. WASHINGTON, D. C., December 6.-There are washington, D. C., December 6.—There are plenty of people to say "I told you so," in regard to the moral lapse of Cashier Silcott, of the office of Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, but it is probable that a suspicion of the man's honesty never entered the head of one of his acquaintances until the scandal burst from the clear sky of yesterday morning. If anybody ought to have suspected him, it was his superior officer, his employer, in fact, Sergeant at Arms Leedom, who knew his habits; but it is really so common in this atmosphere for a gentleman in office to do a little sporting and to have a wife sinister, that the fact does not occasion anxiety. Silcott "played the races," but so do thousands of other good men whose income is no more than his. Mr. Leedom himself was an enthusiastic patron of Leedom himself was an enthunistic patton of the pools, and probably lost as much money as Slicott did, but he was abler to stand it and did not have to fall back on a grand breach of trust when he found himself getting short in

It is one of the astonishing features of Such cases that a man in a position of such high petuniary responsibility can go the lenght bra-senly that Silcott did, and yet arouse no alarm in the minds of those who are in a position to suffer from his malfeasance. It seems to have become so common a thing for a man to spend English languace, and then submit proof of his being a competent person, under the immigration laws, to apply for citizenship. A representative of the Government will be present at the proceedings, to watch the case on behalf of the United States, and if need be to bring counter-evidence against the applicant. If the Judge is satisfied with the showing made by the applicant, he will issue to him a certificate of judgment to that effect, and admit him to the rapht and privileges of citizenship.

Mr. Oates believes that by this means the quality of immigration to this country will be raised, and the dignity of citizenship in the United States be enhanced. more than he makes that it excites no con more than he makes that it excites no com-ment, and no one seems to reflect that when he does so he must be robbing somebody. Mem-bers of Congress, citizens, tellow officials, who were in a position to know the lavish expend-itures of Silcott at the race track and at "Monte Carlo," officials who were his intimate companions in his more receives escapades, all of whom knew that he handled money, often more than a bundred thousand at a time never or whom knew that he handled money, often more than a bundred thousand at a time, never thought to sound a note of warning, or even to protect themselves against probable robbery. And now it is probable that the Congress will step in and make the people pay for the negligence of members, and the blindness and carelessness of blicott's employer and his fellow officials, and thus contribute to the dead enjoyments of this sensational defaulter.

An Unbenithy Moral Atmosphere. After all it was not the race track nor the the atmosphere of Washington. There is some thing in the social air that quickens a man's pace. It is a city of social abandon, of intel ectual friction, of intense concentra its opposite of extreme relaxation. One's acts construed more liberally here than else where within reach of the home of the Puri tans, and men of the most dignified and cir

The defalcation of Silcott is by all odds the

saw him on the street the other day, lookin well and as though in a condition of affluence

Ren Batteck's Boodle.

One of the most noted robberies that ever

occurred in this city was that of Ben Halleck,

cash room of the Treasury, and one day when a vast amount was being loaded on an express

wagon for transportation, Ben carried this

out and away, right under the eyes of the

cierks, watchmen and police. He passed it along to "Peg-leg Brown," a well-known sport-ing-character, who turned it over to a keeper of a restaurant, of which Brown was a constant

patros.

Ottman, the saloon keeper, shoved some of it, and Brown skipped with the remainder, and was caught at Saratoga while attempting to pass one of the bills. All three were arrested, but not until Ottman and Brown had han a good deal of fun with the money, none of which, however, was enjoyed by poor Halleck.

Carolina Becker's Cuteness

I think it was a man named Councily who

stole a large amount from the Redemption Di-vision of the Treasury Department, in the shape of old hills turned in for redemption and

maceration; but the cutest affair of that kind that has ever happened was the theft of no one knows how much, by Caroline Becker. This

was of recent occurrence. In the presence of

other clerks, and with only portions of bills to

Wore Diamonds While at Work.

Here was another case of notable blindness

on the part of the acquaintance of the misdoer.

Becker were magnificent diamonds to her daily work, which she performed for a salary

of \$75 a month. She explained this by the

story that a rich aunt had died and left ber the

One of the robberies that did not take place

was that which never got any farther than the

brain of a sensational correspondent of a sensa-tional newspaper. He had secured crows and

immies enough to make a formidable display and arranged to strew them one night in the

A Sensation Spolled.

On the day previous to that on which he in-tended to spring the sensation he was dismissed from his paper "by telegraph" on account of a sensation involving a Senator, which, being

without foundation, was too extreme for even the usually inexhaustable appetites for that sort of thing of the editors in the home office.

THE LONDON THEATERS.

Failures and Novelties.

INY CABLE TO THE DISPATCE.

LONDON, December 7.—[Copyright.]—Marie Halton, otherwise Mrs. Joseph Lewis,

late of the New York Casino, has gone to Paris

Bits of Gonelp About Dramutle Succ

tans, and men of the most dignified and circumspect conduct at home are not criticised here if they indulge in a temporary season of dissipation. Some are made stronger morally by such experience, paradoxical as that may seem, but a majority who eat of the forbidden fruit never recover from the effects.

As long ago as my memory goes back I can recall the spectacle of brilliant men wrecked by a season of official life at this cayital. Since my earliest youth they have been always crossing my path. In my brief residence here I have seen many come freeh and strong from their own people and retire after a short time broken to pieces by the excesses that seemed to them to be a natural accompaniment of the new life. Doubtless it only proved that they were not at all strong morally, and that it needed but opportunity and a little encouragement to wreck them. It is a fine study for the moralist and psychologist—the case with which the most exemplary men drop from their high moral estate when example and opportunity are first put forcibly before their eyes. nen interviewed yesterday had a vivid recol-ection of Mr. Barker's Chinese schemes, and they had not availed themselves of the lege of getting on the ground floor of the miterprise.

The liability act to which air. Barker refers imits the liability of stockholders to the amount of stock held by each, while the liability in this country is for the amount of the stock and as much more. The principle of the English law is to limit the liability of stockholders, very much as the liability of partners is restricted in Pennsylvania by the statute providing for the organization of limited partnerships.

violing for the organization of limited partner-ahips.

Mr. Barker proposes to make the concern outstrip in capital any financial institution in this country. He expects to have the total capital \$25,000,000, one-half of which will be placed in England and the other half will be offered to Americans. Offices will be estab-lished in the leading European cities, and an advisory board will include such prominent men in England and in New York, Philadel-phia and Chicago as may be induced to send the The defalcation of Silcott is by all odds the most sensational that has occurred since the handsome and popular Uaptain Howgate stole a hundred thousand or so of the public funds. Howgate was in jail for awhile, but one day was kindly permitted to escape by an officer who accompanied him to his residence to secure a change of clothes, just as though his clothing could not have been brought to him. Though it has always been suspected that numerous people of Washington were well aware of the whereabouts of the Captain, and among them members of the nolice, he is still at large, but whether counfortable and happy I cannot say.

Another noted defalcation was that of Paymaster Hodges of the army, also for a large amount. Hodges was tried and convicted, and I believe, pardened. If I am not mistaken I saw him on the street the other day, looking wall and as though he accondition of affiliance. phia and Chicago as may be induced to lend the scheme their support. Barker Brothers & Co of this city, are to be the principal America

TO HEAD OFF THE BRITISH.

Wharton Barker Will Try to Organiae

American Syndicate.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7.—The apparen

success which has attended the organization of the London corporations to transact business

n England and the United States has inspired

in England and the United States has inspired Wharton Barker to attempt a similar undertaking. Under date of December 4 that gentleman issued type-written letters to a number of Philadelphians stating that he had associated with him a number of influential capitalists who proposed forming a banking and trading company under the English Bilability act, to conduct business in Europe and America, and asking the centle-

rope and America, and asking the gentle

man addressed to call at his office, where the

plans will be unfolded. A number of gentle

IT WAS TOO HOT FOR HIM. How a Would-Be Masher Was Pat

Flight by a Girl. From the New York Evening Sun.1 An ancient specimen of the genus "masher" came into an elevated car yesterday. He was rather threadbare but carefully brushed and was topped off with a shiny new silk bat. With Mary was the cook.

"I dunno, mum," said Jane; "she've gone and of the car and then sat himself down directly opposite an unusually pretty girl with her lap Then the inquisitor observed that a large full of Christmas bundles. He smoothed his then flashed an irresistible smile at the pretty girl. She looked hastily out of the window. By and by she turned her face again, to meet the same breadth of smile and the eyes fixed steadily on her face. She looked annoyed. He looked delighted. Her cheeks grew punk. She had half a mind to change her seat. Then al the bravery in her nature mounted to her eyes Slowly she drew from her pocket a lorgnette and held it with the most deliberate inquisitive

First she scanned the top of his hat, then slowly—oh! so slowly—let her gaze creep downward to his face with its wealth of smile, her own never changing by the quiver of a muscle. Down, down it went, with fixed and stony stare, Down, down it went, with fixed and stody stare, to the very tips of his boots. There it paused for an instant, then began its slow upward march, creecing along with the same curious deliberation, very much as one would survey a new variety of animal with a view to classification. When she reached the smile again the glory of it was dimmed. When she reached the toes they were decidedly uneasy, and by the time she was ready to ecan his face on her upward sweep it looked very red and decidedly uncomfortable. One more sweeping circuit was sweep it looked very red and decidedly uncom-fortable. One more sweeping circuit was made, and the discomfited "masher," mutter-ing something about the car's being too hot for him, fied from the awful presences and plunged down the stairs into the street below.

A NOVEL BUREAU.

operate with, Mrs. Becker pieced together thousands of dollars without the fractions being missed by the kecenst-syed clerks of the entire civil service. How she managed to do it without discovery is one of the mysteries that its a constant subject of wonder among the employes of the department, and a yet daily query is as to the amount the woman got, An Idea Which a Bright Weman Made Use of Very Profitably.

From the New York Tribune. If some bright clever woman wants to confer a lasting blessing on unhappy man and at the same time open for herself a short road road to fortune, let her establish a bureau and agency for Christmas and holiday and say to an intelligent woman—for only a woman understands the mysterious secret of buying Christmas presents—"Here is a check for \$50. Buy me something suitable for my wife, my sister or my daughters." The system might be so perfected that one could fill in blanks as one does for a postoffice order. Say the man goes in fills in the amount, the person for whom the gift is intended, the age, the relationship etc. He gets a receipt for his check and order, and at a certain time the package is delivered at his office for his approval and the collection of the commission on the transaction.

he transaction.

A man is not a success at shopping. He gen A man is not a success at snopping. He get eraily rushes into a pince, nervously toss over a dozen or more things, buys something is hurry, tears away to his business, and gradially wakens to the fact that he has not being the thing he wanted. There is no patent of this idea, and any woman of the right kind heartily welcome to it.

Good Subjects to Attack From the Providence Journal.? The members of Congress of both parties evidently think that the easiest way to political popularity at present is to attack the trusta.

THE BELLS OF NOTEE DAME.

Teems with a noisy throng? What though men bandy everywhere
The ribald lest and song?
Over the din of oaths and cries Broodeth a wondrous calm, And 'mid that solemn stillness rise

"Heed not, dear Lord, " they seem to say, "Thy weak and erring child;
And thou, O gentle mother, pray
That God be reconciled;
And on mankind, O Christ, our King,
Pour out thy precious balm"—
"Its thus they plead and thus they sing,

to study dramatic art under an eminent mas-ter. When she has learned all he knows she will return to London and open a theater, if all And so, methinks, God, bending down To ken the things of earth, Heeds not the meckery of the town goes as she wishes. Louise Litta, who has been advertised as an American actress, has not been treated kindly by the critics, and neither has the play, "Madcap Midgs," in which she opened at the Opera Comique. Thyra Kemble, Or cries of ribaid mirth;
For ever soundeth in His ears
A pentiontial psaim—
Tis thy angelle votes he hears,
O beils of Notre Dame I he Australian actress, makes her London sebut on the 19th. Mrs. Langury plays "The Someymoon" in Dublin for a week, beginning Plead on, O bells, that thy sweet voice Plead on. O bells, that thy sweet votes
May still forever be
An intercession to rejulce
Benign divinity;
And that thy tuneral grace may fall,
Like dow, a quickening balon
Upon the arist hearts of all—
U balls of Notre Dame i
—Bugenc Field, in Obicace

Monday.

It is being noted by the London press that the son of the Archbishop of Canterbury has become stage manager of a theater, and that the daughter of the Rishop of Gloucester will appear in a Christman beatomine at Her Manager.

NEW YORK NEWS NOTES.

A Punte Surrowly Averted.

THEW TORK BURNAU SPECIALS. I NEW YORK, December 7.—The 1,200 pas gers on the Staten Island ferryboat Ro Garrett were thrown into a panic just off Lib erty Island to-day by a tremendous thumping on the floor of the cabin and clouds of escaping steam from the engine room. They all had heard of the fatal explosion on the States island terryboat Northfield, several years ago. and were consequently ready to do anyth rather than remain on board. Dozens of r dragged down life preservers from the shelves and buckled them on, while women fainted and children acreamed. Everyone tried to get ont of the cabin at once, and many would have been transpied to death in the crush had not Erastus Wiman, owner of the ferry line quieted the craziest by his shouted assurance that there was no danger. An examination showed that the cause of the thumping and scape of steam was the breaking of a no wheel and a slight defect of an engine. A tug was signaled for, and after an hour's delay Mr. Wiman's boat and Mr. Wiman and his 1,900 cared passengers were towed into the Staten

Gambling Tools Chopped Up. Gambling tools worth \$35,000, the proce Gambling tools worth \$65,000, the proceeds of 35 different police raids, were destroyed at police headquarters to-day. At 11 o'clock 80-perintendent Murray stepped into a little ring formed by the Police Commissioners, rolled up his sleeves, grasped a heavy sledge hammer, whirled it aloft and brought it down on an elegant \$800 poker table. Then half a dozen members of the Broadway squad armed with bright bers of the Broadway squad, armed with bright new axes, stepped forward and began the work of demolition. In a moment the yard in which the work was going on sounded like a boiler factory in full operation. There were first brought out a dozen roulette wheels and tables. When these had been knocked into kindlings, wan these nat been knocked into kindlings, something like 30 blackboards were knocked into a fine powder in as many seconds. By this time the men were working on a pile of debris three feet high. Additions were made in the shape of fare layouts and more roulette tables and wheels. It took the police just six hours to smash all the implements according to the r quirements of the law.

Choked to Death on a Pennut. Willie S. Atwood, Il years old, was choked to Thursday evening he and his little sister bought a cent's worth of peanut taffy, and ate it in the street. He suddenly complained to his sister that he could hardly breathe. He was overtaken with a fit of coughing and a choking sensation. The little fellow was taken to Belle-vue Hospital. The cheking sensation stendily increased. It was decided to perform trachec-tomy, and an incision was made in the neck, to the windpipe, just below the larnyx, through which a rubber tube was inserted. This enabled the boy to breathe a little freer, but the relief was only temporary. He died of suffocation at 3 o'clock this morning. At the autopsy to-day, the kernel of a peanut was found in his bronchial tube.

Couldn't Hide From His Wife. Jacob Yanken was confronted in a Police Court this morning by his wife and three little children, whom he abandoned in Philadelphia several months ago. After getting rid of his family, Yenken shaved his beard, dyed his hair, traveled out West and five weeks ago brought up in New York. Mrs. Yenken was already here, begging food from door to door for her family. Yesterday she met Yenken by chance in the Bowery. She recognized him despite his disguise, and had him locked up. He had \$50 in his pocket. The Police Justice to-day made him hand over the \$50 to his wife and then remanded him. There is said to be a second Mrs. Yeaken somewhere in the city,

THREE GRAND OLD HYMNS

Compositions of Long Ago That Are Sti Regarded as Models. From the Sunday School Times, 1

Three bymns stand in the first rank of Latin

Church poems, and perhaps of all religious lyrics—the "Dies Irm" of Thomas a Celano, the "Stabat Mater" of Giacopone da Todi and the "Jesu duids Memoria" of St. Bernard. They have certainly never been surpassed. The first is the sublimest, the second the tenderest, the third the sweetest hymn of the Middle Ages. The "Dies Irw" is a judgment hymn, the "Stabat Mater" a passion hymn, the "Jesu dulcis Memoria" a Jesus hymn. All date from the ages of faith, so called, which built the the systems of scholastic philosophy and theol ogy, and, at a later stage, prepared through the revival of letters, the way for the Reformation

ogy, and, at a later stage, prepared through the revival of letters, the way for the Heformation and the higher modern civilization. The Middle Ages have passed and can never be resuscitated, but what was pure and true and good in any age is immortal, and "a thing of beauty is a joy forever."

The "Dies Irm" takes its name from its first two words, "Day of Wrath," which are borrowed from the Bible, namely, the description of the terrible day of judgment in Zephaniah I, 15-16, according to the Latin version of St. Jerome, which was in unitversal use in Western Christendom during the Middle Ages, as it is still in the Roman Catholic Church. These words strike the keynote and should not be changed in a translation.

The peem is usually traced to Thomas of Celano, in Italy, a friend and biographer of St. Francis of Assisi, and Superior of the Franciscan Convents of Cologne, Mayence, Worms and Spires. He died in his native country in the middle of the thirteenth century about A. D. 1250 (five years before the birth of Dante). This pious mouk wrote the hymn in his lonely cell for his own edification, without dreaming that he would thereby edify unborn millions in languages and countries he never heard of.

DETERMINED TO KEEP ON FISHING. Canada Preparing to Send More Pinhing Vessels to Bebring Sen.

(SPECIAL TRABGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.)

OTTAWA, December 7.-The Dominion Govtention of the owners of sealing vessels in British Columbia to add several more schoolers to their fleet for carrying on the seal fishery in Behring Sea next season, G. C. Gerow is negotiating for the purchase of the American schooner Mollie Adams, the price to be paid being nearly \$10,000. The San Francisco sealing schooner Ada is also likely to be transferred to Victoria. The owners of sealing vessels gems. She bought houses worth thousands goins, one bought houses worth thousands each, and was erecting a fine country residence when, by a mere accident, one day when she was not at work, a portion of a bill told the story of the theft. Hers will doubtless remain for a long time one of the strangest of the curious crimes committed in the public service at the Capital. represent that they are willing to take the chances of seizure, as the business is a profitable one, and they can afford to lose one vessel now and then and make a good season's work.

Advices from British Columbia Indicate that the Atlantic is not to have a monopoly of the fishery disputes between the United States and Canada. This time the Canadians and not the Canada. This time the Canadians and not the American fishermen are the transgresses, as in the case of Behring Sea. It is stated that British Columbia, fishermen are defiantly taking salmon in American waters. The British steamers anchor just inside the Canadian line and send their boats into the United States fishing grounds, where they are loaded, and return to the vessels waiting for them. It is said that the United States customs officers in Puget Sound are numerically too weak to interfere, and that the American fishermen have virtually been driven out of their own waters. and arranged to strew them one night in the court of the Treasury at a time when the excavation was about Snished for the new silver vaults. His plan was to place them there and then by a series of terrific explosions, alarm the treasury watch and the whole city at that time of night when none but the initiated, that is himself and his confederates, would be about that is, after all the other correspondents had gone home, when he would easily have a "beat" of the attempt to rob the vanits.

Question Before Congres From the New York World.1

The Canadian question now interesting the Lower House of Congress is, Where is Silcott?

TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

REGISTER AND RECORDER DICKSON, o leadville, recently filed a deed that was given 36 years ago. It was from H. J. Huidekoper to Conrad Otterstotter. The first deed the pres-ent Recorder was called upon to enter after assuming the office was given in 1895. The eldest deed ever brought to him for recording was dated in 1802.

EIGHTY-SEVEN of the 1,305 students of Cornell University are from Pennsylvania. This is the largest number from any State except New

Two wildcats were recently shot and killed in Morgan county, O.

An Akron man donned a full dress suit, wen to the theater and sat in the gallery.

he other night. A BRISTOL grocer has had a guessing match offering a prize to the customer estimates nearest the number of seeds in a pumpkin There were 700 when the big goard was opened

A WELLARURO, W. Va., young lady is to be narried in a "newspalk" dress, so one of h

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Mr. and Mrs. Tibbels, of Cincinnat ave a baby that was born with two me

teeth in its upper jaw. -A large tract of tea land in the neigh-Sorbood of Canton this year yielded per acre \$1,000 in tea leaves of the finest quality.

-An international exhibition of postag stamps will be held'in Vienna next year in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of their

-The discussion of the advisability of onizing Vermont and New Hampshire with Scandinavian immigrants has directed attent to the fact that Maine made a successful tore of this kind 20 years ago.

-The Jefferson City Tribune tells of a dog which followed a coon into a cave, where he became fast in a narrow sperture and was compelled to remain until he graw lean enough to get through, which required 12 days. -A somewhat new departure in building practice has been successfully made in Germany. This is the wholesale manufacture of mortar of the best quality to be sold to small builders and private individuals. Some 1000, 000 barrels were thus sold in Berlin last year.

On Sunday last a large company of the descendants of Mrs. Daniel Wise, of Chester, Eaton county, Mich., met at her home to celebrate her 100th birthday anniversary. She has had 10 children, 36 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and 14 great-great grandchildren. -A man named Laird, at Buttle Ground Ind., a short time ago went to a neighbor's hog pen, killed a fat porker, dressed it up in men's clothes, putting a hat on its head, and then placed it on the seat beside him in his buggy. But the trick was detected, and he was arrested before he reached his own house.

-Recently a party of hunters in the neighborhood of Fairfield, Iowa, brought to town in a wagen 867 rabbits, which they had shot in a day's hunt. Another party brought in 150, and it is a common thing for single hunters to capture 20 to 30 in a day. The country is overron with the pests, and much damage to fruit trees and vines is the result. -A large white horse named Diray and

owned by John Rowland, of Danville, Ill. jumped out of a box car a few miles west of Jumped out a set of a rew mines west of Crawfordsville, ind., while the train was running at a high rate of speed. There is a 29-foot fill where he made the leng, but he was not hurt. He was being shipped to Columbus, O., and was started on his journey again. -There arrived at Jeddo Pa the other day, a bright Hungarian boy of 8 years, who came all the way unattended from Hungary. He had on him a tag of a German express com-

pany, and the Adams Express Company's ing from New York. He said he was well treated by all by the people who handled him, and he said he didn't mind the journey a bit. -Some days ago "Babe" Burch, of Adairsville, Ga., received a letter bearing the postmark "Atlants." On opening it Mr. Burch found it was from some houest soldier of the late war, saying that on the march he went into the field of Mr. Burch's father and took eight roasting ears of corn, for which he in-closed a dollar bill. The letter was unsigned.

-There is said to be a haunted house near the business portion of Athens, Ga., and Only a short time since a ghostly figure was seen flitting about the premises, that vanished into space on being approached. At another time a singular rapping was kept up all night in one corner of a room where the family slept, but would at once cease when any of the occupants got up in bed. The house has had the reputation of being haunted for a number

-The custom of putting housemaids into livery, which is common enough in England, is beginning to be adopted in New York. The costume, or uniform, consists of a skirt of dark livery cloth, blue, green or brown, with plain front and broad please at the back: a waistoon of the same cloth, with fine crosswise lines of red braid and a coat cut away in front and cov-ering the hips. Metal livery buttons are used on the coat and waistcoat. A small white cap, stift white collar and cuffs and a white cravat complete the attire.

-Simon Pokagon, chief of the Pottowatomie tribe of Indians, which inhabited Northern Indiana and Southern Michigan when first setfled by the whites, will shortly receive for distribution among his people the sum of \$200 000 from the Government, in full for the settlement of all claims of that once powerful tribe, The distribution will probably take place in Pokagon, Cass county, which town is named for Chief Pokagon's grandfather, who signed a treaty with General Cass in 1825, between his tribe and the Miamis.

-Peter Jennings, an old sailor, has turned up in San Francisco and claims to have been a passenger many years ago with an oid pirate, who, on his death sed, divalged the secret hiding-place, of \$259,000 treasure in Spanish doubloons. The place is Wall Island, in the Pacific Ocean, 3° south of the equator. He has succeeded in interesting Eastern capitalists to look for the treasure, and the moneyed men went to San Francisco last week for the purpose of organizing an expedition to hunt for the doubloons.

-There lived a substantial old farmer by he name of Hugo Bryant, upon the waters of Scarrow creek, near Jasper, Ga., who be economy had accumulated considerable property. He kept a part of his money in gold buried in the ground. During the war some of the scouts hanged the old man to make him give up his hidden treasure, but he refused to do so. They left vitality enough in him to survive the hanging. He died soon after the close of the war, and his estate was adminis-trated, but never found. The hidden treasure was found last week. A party unearthed \$3,176 in gold.

-Jacob P. Fox, of the town of Palatine N. Y., died recently at the age of 98 years and a few months. He was a farmer of the old school, and was among the earlier settlers of the Mehawk Valley. It was known that he the Mohawk Valley. It was known that he was a well-to-do man, and his wealth was estimated at from \$25,000 upward. A few days ago a legal accounting of his estate was mode, and it was shown that his estate was mode, and it was shown that his estate aggregated \$25,000 his life. The old man is reported to have said in life that every man should try and lay aside at least \$1,000 per year for the inevitable rainy day. He retained his faculties to the last, his form was very erect and his step elastic. The estate is divided among the children of his two daughters, ten in number.

HUMOROUS HITS.

Girls that ride horseback often get into a The best way to keep moths out of cloth ng is to wear it. - Florida Times-Union. The poet is born, not made. The poeten bern and maid too. -Binghamton Leader The wings of the house were surprised

It is not unnatural that a man of grit hould have a good deal of sand .- Socion Poe It is the lie abilities, asset were, that make the successful assignor, -Albuny Express. The Edison Girl .- "She has so much mag-"You bet, she has. Why, courting with that girl is one long electric spark." New York Sun.

THE LONG AND SHORT OF LIFE. This truth well deserves preservation in "Tis old as the age of the race:

The man who's possessed of a shortening purse We'll find with a lengthening face.

— New York Press. "Have you a quarter you can give me,

sir?" asked a tattered-looking individual of a citizen. "My wife and children have had nothing to cat for two days."
"th, has won't do, "replied the gentleman, "I gave you so cents yesterday. What did you do "I had to buy mest for the dog, "-Harper's

Proper Besentment.—"If you were President, Frank," inquired a friend, "would you take the same ground Mr. Harrison does in recard to foreign relations, and especially the Chinese—""istri" thundered the eminent statesman from Chicago, bringing his flat down with an emphasia that nearly unset the decanter in front of him. "I

that nearly upset the decanter in front of him, "I hain't got no Chinese relations. All my relations are full-blooded white men, b'goshi"—Chicago

Oh the light that lies in a maiden's eyes As she meets the fond glance of her lover, is brighter by far than the gleam of the star. That shines in the darkness above her. And the fleeting flush of a maiden's blush,

The bloom of the rose defying.

O'er her countenance files as the maiden sighs

Like the dream of a rephyr dying. And the power to beguile in a maiden's smile, And the sound of her voice so thrilling. Make a lower cours to become her slave, Her slightess beliest futfilling.

But the teneful clink of a maiden's chink,

And the gleam of her gold so yellow, Here than Cupid's dark will touch the heart Of the most manageptible fellow.

— Inte Record.